

## YEAR 6 Summer NEWSLETTER 2023

Welcome back to the summer term- I can't believe we are here already! I hope everyone had a happy and safe Easter. We're obviously on the countdown to SATs, then Year 6 have plenty of exciting opportunities to end their time at New Delaval. Remember- you can always see more of life in Year 6 on the school's Twitter- @NewDelPrimary

Our first topic is 'Extreme Earth'. We will be exploring:

- What is extreme weather?
- What are droughts and their causes/effects?
- What are earthquakes and what impact do they cause?
- What causes tsunamis?
- Why do volcanoes occur and what is the 'Ring of Fire'?

After half term our topic is Ancient Maya.

Our writing units and Shared Reading texts will extend the children's understanding of these topics.

One of our class texts this term will be the adventure novel 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. The book centres on an unlucky teenage boy named Stanley Yelnats, who is sent to Camp Green Lake, a juvenile detention centre in a desert in Texas, after being falsely accused of theft.

After half term we will be reading 'Boy' by Roald Dahl. A beautifully written autobiography about Road Dahl's exciting childhood and early life.

### SATs dates:

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May- Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling test.**

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May- Reading test.**

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May- Arithmetic and Maths Reasoning test.**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May- Maths Reasoning test.**

These dates are slightly different due to King Charles' coronation.

Our science topics this term will be 'Electricity' and 'Working Scientifically'.

**Organisation:** Children need to make sure their diary is in every day and it is signed. I need to see evidence of your child reading at home at least 3 times a week. All reading should be recorded in their diary. I will check and sign the diaries on a Friday. Homework will be posted on Google Classroom on Friday and expected to be completed by Wednesday. Your children have all the necessary log ins to access their homework and also could spend extra time on Reading Plus and Rockstars.

Don't forget to practise your 50 spellings as often as possible. We want as many 50 out of 50s as possible at the end of each half term.

**Swimming AND PE kits will need to be in every Thursday.**